GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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COMMITTEE TO REVIEW SURPLUS WATER
Patil Shri Shriniwas Dadasaheb

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Government proposes to set up a committee to review the surplus water in various valleys of Krishna and Godavari basins in ' Maharashtra";

(b)if so, the details thereof;

(c)whether the Government proposes to undertake extensive studies of water of Peninsular rivers ;

(d)if so, whether inter-linking of Peninsular rivers by State Governments would be allowed in the rivers-linking project; and

(e)if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES(SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)No, sir.

(b)Does not arise.

(c)to(e)Under Peninsular component o f National Perspective Plan (NPP), NWDA has conducted water balance studies o f 137 basins/sub-basins and at 52 diversion points, Toposheet and storage capacity studies of 58 reservoir sites, Toposheet studies of 18 links and Prefeasibility and Prefeasibility reports of 17 links based on which 16 links have been identified for preparation of Feasibility studies. The Government under its Common Minimum Programme envisages for a comprehensive assessment of the feasibility of linking the rivers of the country starting with the south − bound rivers in a fully consultative manner as also exploring the feasibility of linking sub-basins of rivers in States like Bihar.